

Sylvester & Salmond

Hanover's Historic School Buildings

What is the Sylvester School Building?

- Sylvester High School is Hanover's first high school building
- Sylvester was opened in 1927 on Hanover's 200th Anniversary
- Sylvester School was used as a school until 2019
- The building made possible with donations from the Sylvester family
- The building was built on farm land donated by the Phillips family
- The central location was chosen to serve all of Hanover
- The building was designed to match the Curtis Free Library
- The building is architecturally significant to the Town of Hanover
- Sylvester qualifies for Community Preservation Funding

Hanover Center School Campus



What is the Salmond School?

- Salmond School was the elementary school for Four Corners Village
- Located in the Historic Four Corners Village along Route 53
- Salmond School was opened in 1932 to replace an old schoolhouse
- Location is the site of one of Hanover's first schools from 1852
- Functioned as an active schoolhouse until 1978; Private daycare until 1997
- Home of Hanover Pre-K and Kindergarten until 2000
- Currently home to Hanover School Administration
- Salmond is historically significant to the Town of Hanover
- Salmond qualifies for Community Preservation Funding

Salmond School in Historic Four Corners



How did Article 21 come about?

- 2019 Town Meeting – Selectmen were given authority over Sylvester
- 11/1/2019 – Estimate produced to upgrade Sylvester for town use
- 1/22/2020 – Presentation of Sylvester Learning Center idea
- 1/30/2020 – CPC and Historic Commission tour Sylvester
- 3/2/2020 – Selectmen discuss Sylvester and Salmond
- COVID
- Spring/Summer/Fall 2020 – CPC continues discussions about Sylvester/Salmond
- 10/14/2020 – School Committee expresses an interest in CPC help
- 1/21/2021 – CPC Funding Application Approved
- 2/1, 2/8, 3/1, 3/15/2021 – CPC presented proposal to Selectmen
- 4/6/2021 – Board of Selectmen put Sylvester up for sale

What does Article 21 do?

- Helps the Board of Selectmen
- Provides funding for a comprehensive review of both properties
- Funds professional help that prior studies didn't
- Uses CPA Funding which prior studies did not consider
- Explores potential reuses with community-wide benefit
- Aims to preserve cultural resources of Hanover
- Looks for efficiencies in facility maintenance
- Overseen by Hanover Board and Committee Members
- Produces plans and designs to present to Town Meeting

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